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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

John Susino,

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Case Number: 01102 SVK

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Plaintiff,

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DEMAND FOR JURY

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COMPLAINT Page 2 of 23 JDC TEMPLATE, UPDATED 8/2024 33 Telephone: 925-226-5000 34 35 Defendant 3: 36 Name: Scott Goh 37 c/o Safeway Inc., 5918 Stoneridge Mountain Road, Pleasanton, CA 94588 Address: 38 Telephone: 925-226-5000 39 40 41 Defendant 4: 42 United Food and Commercial Workers Union Five (aka UFCW5) Name: 43 Address: 28870 Mission Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94544 44 Telephone: 510-889-0870 45 46 Defendant 5: 47 Name: Laurie Mesa 48 Address: c/o UFCW5 28870 Mission Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94544 49 Telephone: 510-889-0870 50 51 Defendant 6: 52 Jane Doe One (aka UFCW5 Union Representative) Name: 53 Address: c/o UFCW5 28870 Mission Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94544 54 Telephone: 510-889-0870 55

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IV. INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

This District has three divisions: (1) San Francisco/Oakland (2) San Jose; and (3) Eureka-McKinleyville. First write in the county in which the events you are suing about happened, and then match it to the correct division. The San Francisco/Oakland division covers Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Sonoma counties. The San Jose division covers Monterey, San Benito, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz counties. The Eureka-McKinleyville division covers Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino counties, only if all parties consent to a magistrate judge.

 Because this lawsuit arose in Santa Clara County, it should be assigned to the San Jose Division of this Court.

V. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Write a short and simple description of the facts of your case. Include basic details such as where the events happened, when things happened and who was involved. Put each fact into a separate, numbered paragraph, starting with paragraph number 6. Use more pages as needed.

Pre-Emptively: Mea Culpa

I apologize to The Court and Your Honor, Presiding, if the format or anything else of this pleading may not

be correct in part and/or in its entirety correct per Federal legal constructs or other legal rules of this Court.

Please allow an opportunity to amend the needed changes.

I am not a lawyer. I am a layperson, seeking legal worker rights of myself and others.

As the attached STATEMENT OF FACTS and CLAIMS sections will delineate, the violations are

Irrefutable with recorded evidence and supported by violations of Federal law and employees' rights.

Encapsulated in a stanza of the 1970s musical band WAR. "I may not speak right, but I know what I'm

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146	Name the defendants who violated it: Safeway, Inc.; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh; Jane Doe Two
147	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
148	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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150	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Plaintiff was coerced by Defendants that Plaintiff and
151	other employees into joining the Union or lose employment. When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed,
152	suspended and then terminated.
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154	Third Claim
155	Name the law or right violated: An employer cannot interfere with an employee to join a labor organization.
156	(National Labor Relations Act)
157	Name the defendants who violated it: Safeway, Inc.; Roman Nunez; Scott Goh; Jane Doe Two; Kelli Elison
158	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
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161	The National Labor Relations Act forbids <i>employers</i> from interfering with <i>employees</i> in the exercise of
162	rights relating to <i>joining</i> a labor organization.
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164	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Safeway, Inc., and Managers Scott
165	Goh, Manager Roman Nunez, and Asset Loss Specialist Liz (aka Jane Doe) constantly stated Plaintiff
166	Susino must join the Union. When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed, suspended
167	and then terminated and lost job in violation of The NLRA.
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171	An employer cannot assist a labor organization in making employees join a labor organization.				
172	(The National Labor Relations Act)				
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177	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from assisting a labor organization in the exercise of rights relating to				
178	employees refraining to <i>join</i> a labor organization.				
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181	Goh, Manager Roman Nunez, and Asset Loss Specialist Liz (aka Jane Doe) constantly assisted Defendants				
182	UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, and Jane Doe One in mandating that Plaintiff Susino and other employees and new				
183	hires must join the Union or lose employment When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted,				
184	harassed, suspended and then terminated and lost job in violation of The NLRA.				
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186	Fifth Claim				
187	Name the law or right violated:				
188	A labor organization cannot coerce an employee into refraining from joining a labor organization				
189	(The National Labor Relations Act)				
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214 215	Plaintiff Susino and other employees and new hires must join the Union or lose employment.
216	Eighth Claim
217	Name the law or right violated:
218	A labor organization cannot threaten employees with job loss. (The National Labor Relations Act)
219	Name the defendants who violated it: UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Jane Doe One
220 221	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
222	The National Labor Relations Act forbids labor organizations from threatening employees with loss of jobs if they engage in
223	protected activity.
224	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Defendants UFCW5, Laurie Mesa,
225	and Jane Doe One demanded that Plaintiff Susino and other employees and new hires must join the Union or
226	lose employment. When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed, suspended and then
227	terminated and lost job in violation of The NLRA.
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229	Ninth Claim
230	Name the law or right violated: Employees cannot be questioned about their union sympathies or activities
231	(The National Labor Relations Act)
232	Name the defendants who violated it: Safeway, Inc. ;Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe Two
233	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
234	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
235	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from Questioning employees about their union

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	sympathies or activities in circumstances that tend to interfere with, restrain or coerce employees in the exercise of their rights
	under the National Labor Relations Act.
ĺ	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Safeway, Inc., and Managers Scott
	Goh, Manager Roman Nunez, and Asset Loss Specialist Liz (aka Jane Doe) constantly questioned
	Plaintiff Susino regarding Susino's activities in joining the Union or lose employment.
	When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed, suspended and then terminated and lost
	job in violation of The NLRA.
	Tenth Claim
	Name the law or right violated: Laying off employee because he would not join union (The NLRA)
	Name the defendants who violated it:
	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from laying off, employees because they engaged in a protected activity.
	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Safeway, Inc., Manager Roman Nunez, and Asset Loss
I	Specialist Liz (aka Jane Doe) layed off Plaintiff Susino when Plaintiff Susino asserted in protected activities regarding joining
	the union.
	When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed, suspended and then terminated and lost
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258	Eleventh Claim				
259	Name the law or right violated: Seeking the Suspension of an employee for not joining Union (The NLRA)				
260	Name the defendants who violated it: UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Jane Doe One				
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262	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.				
263	The National Labor Relations Act forbids labor organizations from suspending employees for not being a union member.				
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265	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, and Jane Doe				
266	One openly sought the suspension of Plaintiff Susino for not becoming a union member when Plaintiff				
267	Susino when Plaintiff Susino asserted in protected activities regarding joining the union.				
268	When Plaintiff did not join Union, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed, suspended and then terminated and lost				
269	job in violation of The NLRA.				
270	Twelfth Claim				
271	Name the law or right violated: Terminating employee for not joining Union (The NLRA)				
272	Name the defendants who violated it:				
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275	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make				
276	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.				
277	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from terminating employees because they engaged in				
278	protect ted activity.				
279	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Safeway, Inc.,				

	Manager Roman Nunez, and Manager Kelli Elison terminated Plaintiff Susino when Plaintiff Susino
	asserted in protected activities regarding joining the union.
	When Plaintiff did not join Union and wanted clarification on denuded payments to the UFCW5 including
	agreeing to pay unidentified costs without any numerical amount, Plaintiff was targeted, harassed, suspended
	and then terminated and lost job in violation of The NLRA.
	Thirteenth Claim
	Name the law or right violated: The Beck Right
	Name the defendants who violated it:
	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
I	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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I	In violation of The Beck Right and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Plaintiff and other employees were NEVER told nor
l	given notice ever by Defendants Safeway, Inc., Scott Goh, Roman Nunez, UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, Jane Doe One, Jane Doe Two,
	and Kelli Elison that Plaintiff and other employees of the civil rights guaranteed to employees via The Beck Right.
	When Plaintiff Susino asked for clarification of laws mandating joining a labor organization, UFCW5's
	Laurie Mesa said that she did not have to disclose such, Jane Doe One remained silent when asked, and
I	Manager Roman Nunez remained silent also.
I	Plaintiff was targeted, suspended, and then terminated and lost job in violation of The NLRA.
	Fourteenth Claim
I	Name the law or right violated: The National Labor Relations Act
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304	Name the defendants who violated it:
305	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
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307	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
308	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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310	In violation of The NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, An employee may object to union
311	membership on religious grounds.
312	Plaintiff and other employees were NEVER told nor given notice ever by Defendants Safeway, Inc., Scott Goh, Roman Nunez,
313	UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, Jane Doe One, Jane Doe Two, and Kelli Elison that Plaintiff and other employees of the civil rights
314	guaranteed to employees to object to joining a union on religious grounds.
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316	Laurie Mesa said that she did not have to disclose such, Jane Doe One remained silent when asked, and
317	Manager Roman Nunez remained silent also.
318	Subsequently, Safeway, Inc., Manager Roman Nunez, Jane Doe Two suspended Plaintiff Susino, and
319	Manager Kelli Elison terminated Plaintiff Susino when Plaintiff Susino asserted religious protections
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322	Fifteenth Claim
323	Name the law or right violated: Weingarten Rights via The NLRA
324	Name the defendants who violated it: UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
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326	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
327	Per the NLRA and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, employees have the right to representation in a

328	meeting, whether represented by a union or not. Weingarten representatives are entitled to provide advice and active assistance to
329	employees during investigatory interviews.
330	When Plaintiff Susino asked for clarification and guidance of laws mandating joining a labor organization,
331	and all else of this first unannounced meeting, UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, and Jane Doe One remained silent
332	when asked for help, and Manager Roman Nunez remained silent also.
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334	When Plaintiff Susino asked for clarification and guidance of laws mandating joining a labor organization,
335	and all else of the second unannounced meeting, Jane Doe Two responded that she did not know the law
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338	Subsequently, Safeway, Inc., Manager Roman Nunez, Jane Doe Two suspended Plaintiff Susino, and
339	Manager Kelli Elison terminated Plaintiff Susino when Plaintiff Susino asserted religious protections
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	member. It is unlawful for a labor union, its representatives, and employers to restrain or coerce employees
	in the exercise of their rights.
	Numerous Safeway employees learned about Plaintiff Susino not being a union member and encourage
	Susino to continue in this effort, as said employees wanted to disengage from the union for a variety of reasons and join Susino
	in not being members in the UFCW5 Union.
	When Plaintiff did not join Union and continually asked for clarification and help regarding the legal basis
	of a/an employee/employees mandating the joining a union, Plaintiff Susino was targeted, harassed,
	suspended and then terminated and lost job in violation of The NLRA.
	Sixteenth Claim
	Name the law or right violated: Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
	Name the defendants who violated it:
l	Safeway, Inc., Scott Goh, Roman Nunez, UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, Jane Doe One, Jane Doe Two; Kelli Elison
	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
	In violation of The Title VII and detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, the numerous Acts of Retaliation directed at Plaintiff
	Susino occurred when Susino and other employees asserted legal labor rights codified by law for himself and other employees of
	rights codified by laws and were asserting in protected activities.
	ALL the Defendants, individually and in collectively in concert together, putforth employment policies that are unlawful and
	discourages the exercise of labor rights. Starting when UFCW5's Laurie Mesa was allowed acts harassing, intimidation, and
	stalking of Plaintiff Susino, and then when reported to Safeway Manager Scott Goh who stated, "Laurie Mesa can do whatever sh
	wants! You MUST join the Union or you can't work here!"
	When Plaintiff Susino reported the incident to a Safeway Reporting, the acts of Retaliation became more intense.

l	When Safeway Manager Roman Nunez had a first meeting and asked, "Why haven't you joined the union?" and then explicitly
l	stated, "You must join the union!"
l	When Safeway Manager Roman Nunez targeted Plaintiff Susino and thereafter committed battery upon Plaintiff Susino in no less
	than two occasions in the bakery, it was retaliation.
	When Plaintiff Susino was called into the first an unannounced meeting with UFCW5 representatives Laurie Mesa and Jane Doe
	One with Roman Nunez with means seeking toforce union membership upon Susino, it was retaliation.
	When Plaintiff Susino was called into the second an unannounced meeting with Safeway Asset Protection Specialist Jane Doe
	with Roman Nunez with questioning and coercing a forced union membership upon Susino that resulted in suspension, it was
	retaliation.
	When Plaintiff Susino was terminated illegally for asserting protected activity rights per NLRA, it was retaliation.
	Seventeenth Claim
	Name the law or right violated: Priviate Attorney General Act (PAGA) via Diversity Issue
	Name the defendants who violated it:
	Safeway, Inc., Scott Goh, Roman Nunez, UFCW5, Laurie Mesa, Jane Doe One, Jane Doe Two; Kelli Elison
	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You do not need to make
	legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
	As is detailed in STATEMENT OF FACTS, Plaintiff Susino seeks this Federal Court to allow Plaintiff Susino to follow the
	Private Attorney General Act (aka PAGA) as Federal Jurisdiction via Diversity for the following basis.
	Per discussion with attorneys, the Federal Court is the ONLY venue available to enforce the Federal issues and Federal laws of
	this case, such as NLRA, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, Taft-Hartley Act, The Beck Right, and other Federal laws since all are
	Federal labor issues.
	Per attorneys, PAGA is a state law of California that is specially intended and applicable only for labor
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issues involving California laws. As such, the California State Judicial System cannot allow the inclusion of the Federal issues of the afore noted Federal laws as are the basis of this Complaint in Federal Court.

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Per attorneys, this Federal Court is the only recourse for the Federal issues and for Plaintiff Susino to request Federal Diversity to allow PAGA be heard in Federal Court to bring representative claims on behalf of and for other workers subject to the same alleged violations of law and labor rights that were universally and similarly violated.

VII. DEMAND FOR RELIEF

State what you want the Court to do. Depending on your claims, you may ask the Court to award you money or order the defendant to do something or stop doing something. If you are asking for money, you can say how much you are asking for and why you should get that amount, or describe the different kinds of harm caused by the defendant.

Compensatory Damages;

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Disclosure of the lawsuit to all past Safeway, Inc., employees of the violations Federal law and rights per of NRLA, Taft-Hartley Act, Beck Right, and other stated Federal laws;

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Violations reported to National Labor Relations Board for investigation with evidence obtained and presented to The Court;

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Any and all Court costs and legal fees of the Plaintiff and other parties related fees and costs from and for PAGA;

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In the event that this complaint, in part or in its entirety, is incorrect in format or other discrepancies, allow the Plaintiff to make any requisite changes to change and/or amend the complaint for compliance. The computer used often had different operating system, different version of MS Word, and different versions of Acrobat software. When trying to combine all these difference, the end result often had omissions, changes, inclusions and the like that affected formatting and the resulting printout of the complaint and other submitted documents;

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VIII. DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

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It is requested and plead to the Court and Your Honor, The Presiding Judge, to allow any necessary amendments and alterations to the submitted in the interests of justice and without prejudice and/or monetary charge of fees, as Plaintiff has incurred substantial costs out-of-pocket for this filing to contest for and interest of legal and employee civil rights of workers.

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Attachment One (1)

STATEMENTS OF FACTS

Susino was hired by Safeway. Inc., in the Pandemic and later designated an "Essential Worker" per government Emergency Declarations.

Susino's work product and work efforts under pandemic life-threatening circumstances were acknowledged and praised by vast number of customers, Safeway Store Managers, Safeway Western Regional Managers, local First Responders. Cal Fire, and philanthropic organizations.

Susing was content, proud, and determined in this life threatening work at such a dire time globally without any cure nor vaccination in a hazardous public health situation that was literally killing thousands per day.

In October 2020. Susino was re-stocking shelves when an unknown, unidentified masked woman thrust a paper at Susino and stated Susino must sign the unknown document. [Emphasis Added/ Confused, Susino was not authorized to sign anything in his employment duties. Per Safeway training,

Susino sought Safeway Supervisors and Safeway Managers for guidance.

Susino physically disengaged and got away from the unidentified masked woman. The unknown, masked woman then began trailing and thereafter stalking immediately behind Susino wherever Susino went. even in designated areas not open to the public causing Susino heightened personal safety concerns. [Emphasis Added].

Susino asked the masked woman acting oddly and stalking Susino to stop following and leave Susino

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	alone. The unidentified, masked woman laughed and continued on her disturbing course of conduct.
	Finally per Safeway harassment and stalking training. Susino sought safe-haven and refuge from the still
	unknown, masked woman in the upper-floor Manager's office. The masked woman still continued to
	follow Susino, even up the staircase into the Manager's office.
	There in the office was Safeway Store Manager Scott Goh. The masked woman appeared immediately at
	the doorway. Susino notified Manager Goh of the situation and acts of the still unknown woman.
	Safeway Manger Goh then said. "That's Laurie Mesa!" She can do whatever she wants!" [Emphasis Added]
	Laurie Mesa would be identified as a Union Representative of UFCW5.
	It is important to note that this was the first time in this matter Laurie Mesa was identified, what
	organization she represented, whom she was employed by, and her UFCW5 title. It is far more important
	to note that Laurie Mesa herself never identified herself nor the organization she is attached to, nor why
	she was acting in such a disturbing, stalking manner. [Emphasis Added]
	When asked about the document Laurie Mesa demanded signing by Susino, Safeway Manager Scott Goh
	unequivocally stated. " You must sign! You must join the Union, or you cannot work here! " [Emphasis Added]
	Susino was coerced and threatened with immediate job loss if refusing to signing the document.
	UFCW5 Representative Laurie Mesa would eventually verbally comment directly to Safeway employee
	Susino in a mocking tone, " You're scared of me! I intimidated you" [Emphasis Added]
	And then Mesa laughed.

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After experiencing Mesa's stalking and odd behavior and now confirmed by Mesa herself of intimidation and fear inducement. Susino told Laurie Mesa that he, Susino, wanted no contact with her and to stay away from Susino. UFCW5 Representative Lauris Mesa was then heard laughing again. The evidence of this event is not in conflict nor in dispute. Its entirety is confirmed to be captured on Safeway Security Cameras, both visually and auditory. As will be cited in the legal argument, the acts and representation made by both UFCW5' its representative Laurie Mesa, and Safeway Manager Scott Goh are violation of the laws delineated in National Relations Labor Act (NLRA) and Taft-Hartley Act. Disturbed by both the stalking and Mesa's own confirmation of intimidation and fear inducement by UFCW5 Union Representative, and then Safeway Manager Scott Goh's statement Laurie Mesa can do whatever she wants. Susino called in the incident to a Safeway confidential reporting number and made a report of the workplace incident, per Safeway Harassment and Safety Training. Thereinafter, Susino was labeled an instigator and targeted as a whistleblower. Thereinafter, Susino would be targeted for reprisals, fabricated false allegations of work product, coercion. threats, and demanding orders to join the Union, physical battery, and other targeted tactics. The reprisals began with false work product accusations. Based on a false allegation by a roving Area Manager, Safeway Manager Roman Nunez called Susino into the Manager's office. The first statements made by Safeway Manager Nunez. " Why haven't you joined the Union? Get with the program! You

work for Us!" [Emphasis Added]
Manager Nunez then asked about the allegations made against Susino and why said work duties were not
fulfilled. Susino then noted that that allegation were flawed: Susino had been off schedule and not working
during the time the cited events happened.
A supervisor confirmed Susino was not scheduled during the time of the allegations against Susino.
Realizing he was in error, had no basis nor foundation, and Nunez himself did not do any due diligence.
and was looking for a non-existent reason to terminate Susino. Safeway Manager Nunez then said, "Oh
Well, you have to join the Union!" [Emphasis Added]
The evidence of this event is not in conflict nor in dispute.
Its entirety is confirmed to be captured on Safeway Security Cameras, both visually and auditory.
As will be cited in the legal argument, the acts and representation made by Safeway Manager Roman
Nunez) are violation of the laws delineated in National Relations Labor Act (NLRA) and Taft-
Hartley Act.
The targeting acts and reprisals continued and increased by Safeway Manager Roman Nunez. Safeway
Manger Roman Nunez's acts became physical, including physical battery upon a subordinate employee.
Susino.
The first act of battery upon Susino occurred during the Christmas season when Susino was on the phone
and speaking with a customer calling in an order. Safeway Manger Roman Nunez came in from behind
Susino, out-of-sight and unannounced, and grabbed the phone from Susino's grip and hung up the phone
one the receiver.
Safeway Manger then ordered employee Susino. "Get back to work!"

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The second act of physical battery came when Susino was pushing bread rack column out and onto the 90 91 shelves for stocking. While pushing the tall column of racks, an unexpected, jolting force pulled the entire column forward with force that almost made Susino fall forward and lose balance of the rack and himself. 92 93 falling upon the floor. Looking to see what happened ahead of the rack to determine the safety hazard. Susino saw Safeway 94 Manager Roman Nunez come out of the only out-of-sight, hidden area ahead of the rack column Nunez was 95 96 without permission pulling. As in the previous battery committed by Safeway Manager Nunez. Nunez's 97 actions were unannounced, unrequested, and out-of-view visually. Safeway Manager Nunez then stated. "I 98 thought you'd like the help!" before immediately walking away. 99 With yet another act of reprisal targeting and physical battery. Susino reported the incident to Store 100 Manager Andrew. 101 The evidence of this event is not in conflict nor in dispute. 102 Its entirety is confirmed to be captured on Safeway Security Cameras, both visually and auditory. 103 As will be cited in the legal argument, the acts and statements made by Safeway Manager Roman 104 Nunez are violation of the laws delineated in National Relations Labor Act (NLRA) 105 106 Susino would now in retaliation be separated, suspend, and then terminated for not joining the Union. 107 paying demanded monies, and making mandatory Safety Reporting. 108 109 Susino was called unannounced and unscheduled into the upstairs manager's office. There waiting was 110 UFCW5's Representative Laurie Mesa. Safeway Manager Roman Nunez. and an unidentified UFCW5's 111 representative Jane Doe One.

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Displaying a pattern of conduct, as done previously. UFCW5's Laurie Mesa once again thrust forward a 112 document and demanded Susino sign said document. Susino asked to read the document, and UFCW5's 113 Laurie Mesa retracted the document away from Susino. When Susino asked why Susino could not read a 114 document without any review that UFCW5's Mesa was demanding signage, she relented and handed over 115 116 the document for review. It was an agreement to join the union, arrearages, other costs, and a phrase "other fees may apply" but 117 118 offered no indication of the cost of unnamed fees or what said fees were. 119 Susino needed time to review the document. And then Susino stated UFCW5's Lisa Nunez was told personally by Susino that there was not to be any contact between the two due to her previous stalking acts 120 and harassments and verbal statements. 121 122 UFCW5's Lisa Nunez replied. " [Safeway] Security contacted me and said it was okay." 123 124 [Emphasis Added] 125 Stunned by the admission of direct conversation between a Safeway Corporate Security review and a third-126 party Union Representative who was reported for violations of labor law and Safeway policies, a stated 127 representation of reported acts of stalking and fear inducement and intimidation being "Okay", and then 128 additionally never receiving any contact nor communication whatsoever from Safeway to Susino. Susino 129 asked whom Laurie Mesa was in contact with that made that determination. 130 UFCW5's Laurie Mesa said. "I don't have to tell you." 131 It was apparent that this was a pre-conceived effort targeted at employee Susino was based on him not 132 joining and becoming a member in the Union and reprisals of his reporting. 133 When asked what the law states about Union membership. UFCW5's Laurie Mesa said. "I don't have to

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tell you." [Emphasis Added]
When the same question was posed to UFCW5's Jane Doe One. she remained silent" [Emphasis Added
When the same question was posed to Safeway Manager Roman Nunez, his reply was, "I'm following
what Safeway says." [Emphasis Added]
UFCW5, Mesa, Nunez, Safeway, and the unidentified UFCW5 Jane Doe One are wrong. As is
delineated in the CLAIMS section, this is violation of Federal NLRA law and The Beck Right and
The Weingarten Rights.
Then UFCW5's Laurie Mesa took out another document and ordered Safeway Manager Roman Nunez to
sign it. Safeway Manager followed Mesa's order to him.
When Susino asked what and if the document being signed was related to his employment. Safeway
Manager Nunez responded, "I'll get you a copy later." A copy was never given to Susino. The document
and its contents remains a mystery to this date.
After a mandatory lunch break. Susino was once again called into the upper Manager's office. There again
was Safeway Manger Roman Nunez, and a new Safeway Corporate employee who identified herself only as <u>Asset Protection Specialist</u> Liz, who refused to give a Last name (aka Jane Doe Two). [Emphasis Added]
Asset Protection Specialist Liz held up a folder, identified it as Susino's employee folder, and said to
Susino. "You promised to join the Union." [Emphasis Added
Susino asked. "What does the law state about joining a Union?"

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Asset Protection Specialist Liz responded, "I don't know. I don't work for the government. I work for
Safeway: " [Emphasis Added]
Shocked and stunned by the lack of understanding of legal application of law and flawed reasoning, Susino
eventually noted that UFCW5 Representative Laurie Mesa was reported by Susino for harassment.
following, stalking, and other concerns as a mandatory result of Laurie Mesa's actions.
Safeway Asset Protection Specialist <i>Liz stated the noted event and recordings were on her supervisor's computer</i> . [Emphasis Added]
When asked who her supervisor was. Asset Protection Specialist Liz stated it is Jeff Scales. This is
consistent with representations made by Laurie Mesa, Safeway, and Jeff Scales himself, even though the
reporting party Susino has never been contact about the event by Safeway. Jeff Scales, nor anyone nor any
entity doing an investigation.
Then Susino was suspend from employment at Safeway. [Emphasis Added]
When asking Asset Protection Specialist Liz if the reason for the suspension was for NOT joining the
Union, Asset Protection Specialist Liz confirmed such with a verbal, "Yes." [Emphasis Added]
The evidence of this separation, suspension, and termination is not in conflict nor in dispute.
Its entirety is confirmed to be captured on Safeway Security Cameras, both visually and auditory.
As is cited in the legal argument, these secondary acts and representation made by Safeway Manager
Nunez, the UFCW5. UFCW5' Representative Laurie Mesa, UFCW5' Representative Jane Doc, Asset
Protection Specialist Liz. Area Manager Kelli Elison and Safeway Manager Scott Goh are violation of the
laws delineated in National Relations Labor Act (NLRA). The Taft-Hartley Act, Weingarten Rights, and

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Name the defendants who violated it:
Safeway, Inc. ; UFCW5: Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Et al.
Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from interfering with <u>employees</u> in the
exercise of rights relating to <u>joining</u> a labor organization.
Third Claim
Name the law or right violated: An employer cannot interfere with an employee to join a Union
Name the defendants who violated it:
Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Et al.
Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from interfering with interfering with
<u>employees</u> in the exercise of rights relating to refraining from <u>joining</u> a labor organization.
Fourth Claim
Name the law or right violated: An employer cannot assist a labor organization in making employees join a labor organization.
Name the defendants who violated it:

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227	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Et al.
228	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
229	do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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231	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from assisting a labor organization in the
232	exercise of rights relating to employees refraining to <u>ioin</u> a labor organization .
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235	Fifth Claim
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239	Name the defendants who violated it:
240	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa: Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Et al.
241	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
242	do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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244	The National Labor Relations Act forbids labor organizations from <u>coercing employees</u> in the
245	exercise of rights relating to refraining from <u>joining</u> a labor organization.
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247	Seventh Claim
248 249	Name the law or right violated: An employer cannot threaten employees with loss of job for refraining from joining a labor organization
250	Name the defendants who violated it:

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251	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
252	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
253	do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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255	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from threatening employees with <u>loss of</u>
256	jobs if they engage in protected activity, in this case not joining a union.
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260	Eighth Claim
261	Name the law or right violated:
262	A labor organization cannot threaten employees with job loss
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264	Name the defendants who violated it:
265	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
266	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
267	do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
268 269	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from threatening employees with <u>loss of</u> <u>jobs</u> if they <u>engage in protected activity</u> .
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273	Name the law or right violated: Employees cannot be questioned about their union sympathies or activities
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275	Name the defendants who violated it:
276	Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
277	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
278	do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
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280 281 282	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from Questioning employees about their union sympathies or activities in circumstances that tend to interfere with, restrain or coerce employees in the exercise of their rights under the National Labor Relations Act.
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285	Tenth Claim
286	Name the law or right violated: Laying off employee because he would not join union
287	Name the defendants who violated it:
288	Safeway, Inc. ; UFCW5: Laurie Mesa: Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two
289	Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You
290	do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.
291 292	The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from <u>laying off,</u> employees <u>because</u> they engaged in union or protected activity.
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294	Eleventh Claim
295	Name the law or right violated:
296	Terminating employee for not joining Union
297	Name the defendants who violated it:
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Safeway, Inc.: UFCW5: Laurie Mesa: Roman Nunez. Scott Goh. Jane Doe One: Jane Doe Two 298 Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You 299 300 do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts. 301 The National Labor Relations Act forbids employers from terminating employees because 302 they engaged in protected activity. 303 304 305 306 **Twelfth Claim** 307 Name the law or right violated: The Beck Right 308 Name the defendants who violated it: 309 Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two 310 Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You 311 do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts. 312 313 314 315 **Thirteenth Claim** 316 Name the law or right violated: The Beck Right 317 Name the defendants who violated it: 318 Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two 319 Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You 320 do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts.

321 Fourteenth Claim 322 323 Name the law or right violated: The Beck Right Name the defendants who violated it: 324 325 Safeway, Inc.: UFCW5; Laurie Mesa: Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You 326 327 do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts. 328 329 Fifteenth Claim 330 331 Name the law or right violated: The Beck Right 332 Name the defendants who violated it: 333 Safeway. Inc.: UFCW5: Laurie Mesa: Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two 334 Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You 335 do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts. 336 337 Sixteenth Claim 338 Name the law or right violated: The Whistle Blower Act (?? Correct Name?) 339 Name the defendants who violated it: 340 Safeway, Inc.; UFCW5; Laurie Mesa; Roman Nunez, Scott Goh, Jane Doe One; Jane Doe Two 341 Explain briefly here what the law is, what each defendant did to violate it, and how you were harmed. You 342 do not need to make legal arguments. You can refer to your statement of facts. 343

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After reporting her own acknowledged acts of inducing fear and intimidation and stalking of UFCW5's Laurie Mesa, Plaintiff Susino was targeted and retaliated upon by Safeway management and employees for making the report.

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